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What: **Virginia Commission on Immigration Meeting**

When: 10:00 a.m., Friday, Jan. 4, 2008

Where: General Assembly Building, Senate Room A, Richmond, Va.

Richmond, Va. – The Virginia Commission on Immigration will hold its next meeting on Friday, Jan. 4 at 10:00 a.m. in Senate Room A of the General Assembly Building. As agreed upon by the Commission members, there will be presentations from the Virginia State Crime Commission, the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, Virginia Employers for Sensible Immigration Policy, the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties. The Virginia Commission on Immigration is charged with studying, reporting and making recommendations to address the costs and benefits of immigration on the Commonwealth, including the impact on education, health care, law enforcement, local demands for services, the economy and the effect on the Commonwealth of federal immigration and funding policies. The Commission is chaired by Senator John Watkins (R-Powhatan).

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